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AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS—BOARD OF SUPERVISORS April 23, 9:30 a.m.

Presentations:

"Day of Remembrance of the Armenian Genocide of 1915 through 1923" is recognized by Board with proclamation to Peter Darakjian, executive director of the Armenian Council of America.

District Attorney Steve Cooley, in honor of the 20th anniversary of California's Victims' Bill of Rights, receives Board commendation along with members of the Victim-Witness Assistance Program.

Public Hearing:

Supervisors consider charging admission fee for butterfly exhibit at the Natural History Museum to defray costs. (Item 1)

Agenda Items:

Supervisor Don Knabe requests supervisors support Senate Bill 1342, which would require enforcement of waste discharge requirements for separate municipal storm sewer systems to ensure compliance with the federal Clean Water Act. (Item 6, continued from meeting of 4-16-02)

Board members consider opposing Senate Bill 1521, which threatens local control over land use matters. (Item 7, continued from meeting of 4-16-02)

Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich requests creation of an interim telephone call center for the Treasurer-Tax Collector's unsecured property tax office after constituents complain of phones going unanswered, being disconnected after four rings, and constant busy signals. (Item 11)

Supervisors Zev Yaroslavsky and Gloria Molina seek report on progress made to improve educational services to youth in the County's juvenile halls, probation camps and MacLaren Children's Center. (Item 18)

Mental Health Department requests authorization to loan an additional \$200,000 to agency to expand mental health services to high-risk youth in foster care, probation and special education programs. (Item 21)

Public Works Department seeks approval of \$455,000 to prepare grant application to build a library in Rowland Heights for the East San Gabriel Valley area. (Item 22)

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(NOTE TO MEDIA: Board meetings are scheduled for 9:30 a.m., but generally do not start until 10 a.m. Copies of the agenda and supporting documents may be accessed on the Internet at http://bos.co.la.ca.us/Categories/Agenda/AgendaHome.htm Copies of the Agenda Highlights are at http://cao.co.la.ca.us/press.htm)